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How to Inprove Job METHODS

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A PLAN THAT WILL HELP YOU STUDY YOUR WAY OF DOING A JOB AND WORK OUT A BETTER AND EAS-IER WAY TO DO IT.

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THESE FOUR STEPS WILL HELP YOU GET:

done in LESS TIME
and with LESS EFFORT

STEP I. - BREAK DOWN THE JOB

- List all details exactly as the job is now being done
- Be sure details include all use of labor, materials and equipment to do the job

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STEP 2. - QUESTION EVERY DETAIL STEP 3. - DEVELOP THE NEW METHOD

ASK THESE QUESTIONS IN THIS ORDER:	(IN COOPERATION WITH OTHERS)
WHY is it necessary?	ELIMINATE unnecessary details
WHERE should it be done?	COMBINE details when practical
WHO should do it?	REARRANGE for better sequence
HOW is "the best" way to do it?	SIMPLIFY all necessary details
CONSIDER AND QUESTION:	MAKE THE WORK EASIER:
- hand and body motions	- let both hands do useful work
- suitability of equipment	- use tools that fit the job
- arrangement of work place	- construct to save steps and energy
- location of materials	- have everything conveniently placed
- safety and comfort	- remove working hazards

LIST DETAILS OF NEW METHOD

Details	Notes

	STEP 4 APPLY THE NEW METHOD	
WRITE up your proposal	- It will clarify your ideas on "savings" made - It will help you in "selling" your new method to others	
SELL the new method	- Explain advantages of new method and how it will operate - When all concerned are "sold" it will be given a fair trial	
Get necessary	- Be sure everyone concerned is consulted - Check on safety, quality, quantity, and cost	
Put method into USE	- Put the new method to work - waiting kills ideas - Use it until you develop a better method	
Give CREDIT where due	- Recognize the assistance others have given you - Giving credit stimulates ideas	
	WRITE UP YOUR PROPOSAL	
Give the advantages of your new method in saving labor, materials, and equipment, and tell what changes are needed to put it into use		
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Credit is due ________me develop this improvement